



# County Manager's Monthly Newsletter

From the Santa Fe County Manager

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## Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

All Regular Meetings  
are held on Tuesday in  
the County Commission  
Chambers at  
102 Grant Ave.

April 12  
April 26  
May 10  
May 31  
June 14  
June 28

BCC meetings will  
start at 2 p.m.

The Housing Authority  
Board meeting on the  
last Tuesday of each  
month will start at 1  
p.m.

All regular meetings are  
broadcast live at  
[www.santafecountynm.gov](http://www.santafecountynm.gov)  
and on Comcast Ch. 28  
or you can listen live on  
Que Suave AM810

### Visit

[www.santafecountynm.gov](http://www.santafecountynm.gov)  
and click our events cal-  
endar for a full schedule  
of upcoming meetings,  
events and closures.

## Solar Power and Energy Efficiency Makes Sense For Everyone!



- There are multiple benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy (solar, wind, ground-coupled heat pumps, etc.)
- Federal, electric utility and natural gas utility incentives are available
- Adoption of cost-effective energy efficiency measures by businesses and homeowners decreases energy utility costs, while creating locally-sourced clean energy jobs

Money saved through energy efficiency stays in the local economy and contributes to overall job creation (not just clean energy-related)

**Our public outreach, education and technical assistance services are available to all County residents and businesses, including those located within the city limits of Santa Fe, Edgewood, and Española.**

The County's Energy Specialist is available to your neighborhood or homeowners' association, business or industry group and other community events and forums to present helpful information about energy efficiency and renewable energy opportunities. Feel free to call **Craig O'Hare** at (505) 992-3044 or [cohare@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:cohare@santafecountynm.gov) if you are interested.

**Office of Solar Power and Energy Efficiency:** Santa Fe County established the Office of Solar Power and Energy Efficiency in the Spring of 2011. The office promotes energy efficiency measures and renewable energy technologies in County facilities and operations. The program also supports energy efficiency in the residential and commercial sectors to promote a green economy that stimulates job creation and economic development. The Office is a direct outgrowth of clean energy policies and directives established in the [Sustainable Growth Management Plan](#) adopted by the County Commission

# Santa Fe County Announces Trail Days 2016

## *Get Up. Get Out. Get Moving.*

Santa Fe Open Space, Trails and Parks. Connecting you to the Outdoor Treasures of Santa Fe County! Santa Fe County Open Space, Trails, and Parks are located in your backyard and we want you to get outside and enjoy them this year. Join us for some fun and easy outdoor activity to help you familiarize yourself with some of our great Santa Fe County properties, learn basic trail etiquette, and more. You can attend one of the events or all of them and enjoy the outdoor treasures of Santa Fe County.

Santa Fe County and the Santa Fe County Trail Stewards collaborated to bring you an amazing series of free events at a variety of Santa Fe County properties every Saturday in April. These events (see full schedule below) are designed to be low impact and casual – to help everyone *Get Up. Get Out. Get Moving.* All you need for these great events are some comfortable walking shoes and a water bottle.

### **Saturday, April 9 at Arroyo Hondo Open Space**

Meet Location – Lower Parking Area located off Arroyo Hondo Rd.

Directions: Head south on Old Las Vegas Hwy, turn right on to Arroyo Hondo Rd. and the parking area will be on the right side.

### **Saturday, April 16 at Rail Trail Segment 3**

Directions: Head south on Old Las Vegas Hwy, turn right on to County Road 60 (9 Mile Road) and take until the road dead ends.

### **Saturday, April 23 at La Piedra**

Meet Location – Sierra del Norte Trailhead

Directions: Take Hyde Park Road to Sierra Del Norte Trailhead on left

### **Saturday, April 30 at Little Tesuque Trail**

Directions: Take Hyde Park Road to Little Tesuque Trail Head on left side of the road, about a mile past Ten Thousand Waves.

For additional information including: trail locations, meet locations, directions, property descriptions, event details, and contact information visit [www.santafecountynm.gov/getmoving](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/getmoving). For more information on any of these events, please contact Carol Branch at [cbranch@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:cbranch@santafecountynm.gov) or 505-992-3053



# County Assessor Hosts Outreach Events

The Santa Fe County Assessor's Office would like to notify residents they should be receiving their Notices of Value in the mail. Notices of Value are mailed on April 1 of each year. In conjunction with the mailing of the Notice of Values, the Assessor announced the Community Outreach Schedule for 2016 (see schedule below). The outreach events allow staff to meet with residents in various locations around the County to discuss their Notice of Values.

Property owners who disagree with the value determined by the Assessor's Office may file a petition of protest in person at the Assessor's Office located at 102 Grant Avenue, in Santa Fe, or they may be filed through the Assessor's website [www.santafecountynm.gov/assessor](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/assessor) via a new online protest filing portal.

**The deadline to file for exemptions, benefits, and protests is May 2, 2016.**

Santa Fe County Outreach Schedule (All outreach will be held from 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)

**Rancho Viejo, 23 Calle Agua Clara, Santa Fe, NM**

- Monday, April 4

**Ken and Patty Adam Center, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, NM**

- Tuesday, April 5
- Tuesday, April 12

**The Nancy Rodriguez Community Center, 1 Prairie Dog Loop, Santa Fe, NM**

- Wednesday, April 6
- Wednesday, April 13

**Pojoaque Satellite Office, 5 West Gutierrez, Suite 9, Pojoaque, NM**

- Thursday, April 7
- Thursday, April 14
- Thursday, April 28

**Santa Fe County Public Safety Building, 35 Camino Justicia, Santa Fe, NM**

- Monday, April 11

**Santa Fe County Fairgrounds, 3229 Rodeo Rd., Santa Fe, NM**

- Monday, April 18
- Monday, April 25

**Abedon Lopez Senior Center, 145 Santa Cruz Site, Espanola, NM**

- Wednesday, April 19
- Wednesday, April 26

**Edgewood Senior Center, 114 Quail Trail, Edgewood, NM**

- Wednesday, April 20
- Wednesday, April 27

**Las Campanas Owners Association, 366 Las Campanas Dr., Santa Fe, NM**

- Thursday, April 21

Please bring your 2016 Notice of Value and copies of any documentation that you would wish to provide.

You may also visit the Office of the Santa Fe County Assessor, 102 Grant Ave., April 1 through May 2, 2016 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to file appeals, ask questions or file for exemptions. Please call 505-986-6300 for further information.

## Happy Birthday to all the County Employees Born in March



MARTIN	VIGIL
WAYNE	JARAMILLO
STEVE	MOYA
JEREMIAH	SANDOVAL
TIMOTEO	BENAVIDEZ
EUTIMIO	ORTIZ
RICK	LOVATO
ANDRES	GARCIA
VANESSA	BARNETT
GERARD	SCHOEPPNER
DAVID	GRISCOM
MIKE	MONTANO
MELISSA	MOYA
LES	FRANCISCO
BREANNA	AGUILAR
RENEE	SANDOVAL
ERIC	GIRON
DAVID	BENAVIDEZ
JOYCE	VARELA
ELIZABETH	HALPIN
JENNIFER	ROMERO
CELESTE	SANCHEZ
LYNETTE	KENNARD
DAVID	MADRID
JONATHAN	BLACK
MARK	CURRIER
MELANIE	RAMIREZ
DANIEL	ARRIETTA
RYAN	ERICKSON
LUIGI	DULANTO
RENEE	CEDILLO
JULIAN	MARTINEZ
HANNA	PADILLA
DANIELLE	TENNYSON

STEPHANIE	MARTINEZ
SHAYNA	ABEYTA
ISAAC	ROMERO
CHRISTOPHER	GRIEGO
HERBERT	GERSTNER
CARLOS	SISNEROS
JOHN	ORTEGA
CARY	YOUTS
JOE	DOOLITTLE
MATTHEW	DURAN
ANGEL	CHACON
KATHLEEN	ROYBAL
VINCENT	ONTIVEROS
DIANA	LOVATO
CARLOS	MARTINEZ
JUSTIN	GONZALES
ROBERT	GARCIA
CAROLINA	AGUAYO HER- NANDEZ
ROB	JACKSON
JENNIFER	LABAR
ERIC	ECCLES
MICHAEL	SPANIER
DEBRA	GARCIA
DENNIS	BENAVIDEZ
MARIO	LOPEZ
JOSE	LARRANAGA
SCOTT	BARLOW
LEO	LEYBA
SHARON	VIGIL-RAMIREZ
KYRA	RYAN
WAYNE	DALTON
SARAH	WOODMAN



## County Launches Transfer of Development Rights Program

The Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved Resolution No. 2016-33, a Resolution directing staff to initiate the Santa Fe County Transfer of Development Rights Program (TDR).

TDRs are a voluntary, incentive-based, market-driven approach to preserving agricultural land, open space and environmental resources while encouraging development in designated growth areas through the sale and purchase of transferable development rights. TDRs are part of the County's recently adopted Sustainable Growth Management Plan policy framework and the County's Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC).

Santa Fe County will be holding a series of Agriculture Revitalization meetings to discuss the TDR Program and other agriculture and ranching initiatives. These meetings will be held throughout the County in each of the four Growth Management Areas to include El Norte, El Centro, Galisteo and Estancia in late April and early May. Staff will also be meeting with individuals and communities who may have an interest in the TDR Program.

For further information regarding the TDR Program please contact Robert Griego at 505-986-6215 or by email at [rgriego@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:rgriego@santafecountynm.gov).

## North Central Regional Transit District Launches Pilot La Cienega Route

The North Central Regional Transit District (NCRTD), operator of the RTD "Blue Bus," kicked-off the six month pilot service from the La Cienega Valley to south Santa Fe on Monday, March 28.

The new service will offer three roundtrips per day, Monday through Friday, with one early morning, midday and late afternoon. Service will be from La Cienega and La Cieneguilla with stops at Las Golondrinas, 599 Rail Runner Station, Santa Fe Place Mall, Walmart, the Santa Fe Outlet Mall, VA Clinic on Bruckner Rd. and New Mexico Human Services. Santa Fe Place Mall provides connecting service to Santa Fe Trails bus service with routes providing access throughout the City of Santa Fe. Park and ride options will exist at Las Golondrinas (northeast corner of the lot), 599 Station and Santa Fe Place Mall Transit Center.

## From the County Manager

### Congrats on recent promotions

During the month of February, the Public Safety Department had two promotions within RECC. Daniel Quintana began employment with Santa Fe County January 27, 2014 and was promoted to Emergency Communications Specialist II. Ashley Woods began employment with Santa Fe County January 27, 2014 and was promoted to Emergency Communications Specialist II.

The Sheriff's Office had one promotion in February. Antonio Lopez began employment with Santa Fe County February 9, 2015 and was promoted to Sheriff Deputy I. We congratulate all these employees for their great accomplishment.

### Flea Market

Join us for a great shopping experience, combining unique crafts and

flea market finds, all at amazing prices! The proceeds will be used to support local community programs and college scholarships.

Join us April 23 from 9 a.m.—3 p.m. at the County Fairgrounds, for the Santa Fe County Extension Homemakers Indoor Flea Market.



**County Manager  
Katherine Miller**



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### Address:

102 Grant Ave.  
Santa Fe, NM 87501-2061

### Phone:

Santa Fe County Main Line  
(505) 986-6200

### Frequently Called Numbers:

County Assessor's Office – (505) 986-6300  
County Clerk's Office – (505) 986-6280  
County Treasurer's Office – (505) 986-6245  
County Sheriff's Office – (505) 986-2455  
SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

### Other Important Numbers


Building Permits (505) 986-6225  
Fire Questions/ Burn Permit (505) 992-3070  
Utilities (505) 992-9870  
Public Works/Roads (505) 992-3010  
Human Resources (505) 992-9880  
Community Services (505) 992-9849  
Attorney's Office (505) 986-6279  
Teen Court (505) 995-9555  
Animal Control (505) 992-1626



### Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (L-R)

Henry Roybal (D-1)	Miguel M. Chavez (D-2)
Kathy Holian (D-4)	Liz Stefanics (D-5)
Robert A. Anaya (D-3)	

## Free Solar Power!

- “ZERO COST” solar possible  
→ Loan payments = reduction of your utility bill
- “40% OFF” with solar tax credits! 
- Call for FREE SOLAR advice for homes and businesses
- INCREASE the resale value of your home!

**Solarize Santa Fe!**  
A SANTA FE COUNTY CAMPAIGN



Call **Craig O'Hare** for Free Solar Advice:  
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